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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed on March 12, 2003, please amend this application as follows:

In the specification:

Please amend the first sentence of this application to read as follows:

P. --This application claims the priority of US Provisional Applications 60/083571, filed April 30, 1998, and 60/089543, filed June 17, 1998, and is a continuation of US Application 09/303,377, filed April 30, 1999.--

In the claims:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

P2 --1. (Twice Amended) A method of transforming a cell comprising, in order, the steps of:
applying a transformation effective amount of a nucleic acid to the cell;
adhering a pliable, adhesive fibrin gel to the cell so as to entrap a transformation effective amount of the nucleic acid in the fibrin gel adhered to the cell; and

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